

FIG. 1

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OBTAINING INFORMATION ABOUT A SUBJECT

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ASSOCIATING A PRIVATE IDENTIFIER WITH THE SUBJECT

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STORING THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT AND THE PRIVATE  
IDENTIFIER ASSOCIATED WITH THE SUBJECT IN A DATABASE

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TRANSMITTING THE PRIVATE IDENTIFIER TO THE SUBJECT VIA A  
NETWORK TO DISCLOSE THE PRIVATE IDENTIFIER TO THE SUBJECT

FIG. 2

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RECEIVING A PRIVATE IDENTIFIER ASSOCIATED WITH A SUBJECT VIA A NETWORK, WHEREIN INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT IS STORED IN A DATABASE

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UTILIZING THE PRIVATE IDENTIFIER TO IDENTIFY THE SUBJECT AND TO RETRIEVE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT FROM THE DATABASE

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CREATING AT LEAST ONE PUBLIC IDENTIFIER ASSOCIATED WITH THE SUBJECT UPON RECEIVING INSTRUCTIONS TO CREATE THE ONE OR MORE PUBLIC IDENTIFIERS VIA THE NETWORK

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ASSOCIATING A SET OF THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT STORED IN THE DATABASE WITH THE PUBLIC IDENTIFIER

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SETTING A DURATION OF VALIDITY FOR THE PUBLIC IDENTIFIER

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STORING INFORMATION ABOUT THE PUBLIC IDENTIFIER, THE SET OF INFORMATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE PUBLIC IDENTIFIER AND THE DURATION OF VALIDITY FOR THE PUBLIC IDENTIFIER IN THE DATABASE

**FIG. 3**

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RECEIVING A REQUEST VIA A NETWORK FROM A THIRD PARTY FOR INFORMATION ABOUT A SUBJECT, WHEREIN THE REQUEST INCLUDES AN IDENTIFIER ASSOCIATED WITH THE SUBJECT

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UTILIZING THE RECEIVED IDENTIFIER TO IDENTIFY THE SUBJECT

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DETERMINING THE THIRD PARTY'S RIGHT TO ACCESS INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT BASED ON THE RECEIVED IDENTIFIER

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UTILIZING THE NETWORK TO PROVIDE THE THIRD PARTY WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT THAT THE THIRD PARTY IS DETERMINED TO HAVE A RIGHT TO ACCESS

**FIG. 4**

MONITORING ACTIVITY ASSOCIATED WITH ACCESSING STORED INFORMATION ABOUT A SUBJECT

RECORDING INFORMATION RELATING TO THE MONITORED ACTIVITY IN A DATABASE, WHEREIN THE RECORDED INFORMATION INCLUDES AT LEAST ONE OF: INFORMATION ABOUT UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO ACCESS THE STORED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT, INFORMATION ABOUT SUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS TO ACCESS THE STORED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT, INFORMATION ABOUT THE STORED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT THAT WAS ACCESSED, INFORMATION ABOUT STORED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT THAT WAS MODIFIED DURING AN ACCESS, INFORMATION ABOUT THE IDENTITY OF PARTIES THAT ATTEMPTED TO ACCESS THE STORED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT, AND INFORMATION ABOUT THE IDENTITY OF PARTIES THAT ATTEMPTED TO MODIFY THE STORED INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT

RECEIVING A REQUEST FOR AT LEAST A PORTION OF THE RECORDED INFORMATION ABOUT FROM A USER VIA A NETWORK

GENERATING A REPORT BASED ON REQUESTED PORTION OF THE RECORDED INFORMATION

TRANSMITTING THE GENERATED REPORT TO THE REQUESTING USER VIA THE NETWORK

FIG. 5

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RECEIVING A IDENTIFIER FROM A USER VIA A NETWORK, WHEREIN THE IDENTIFIER IDENTIFIES A SUBJECT HAVING INFORMATION STORED IN A DATABASE

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ALLOWING THE USER TO ACCESS THE INFORMATION IN THE DATABASE VIA THE NETWORK, WHEREIN THE ACCESSED INFORMATION IN THE DATABASE INCLUDES PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT AND INFORMATION DEFINING ACCESS RIGHTS TO THE PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT STORED IN THE DATABASE

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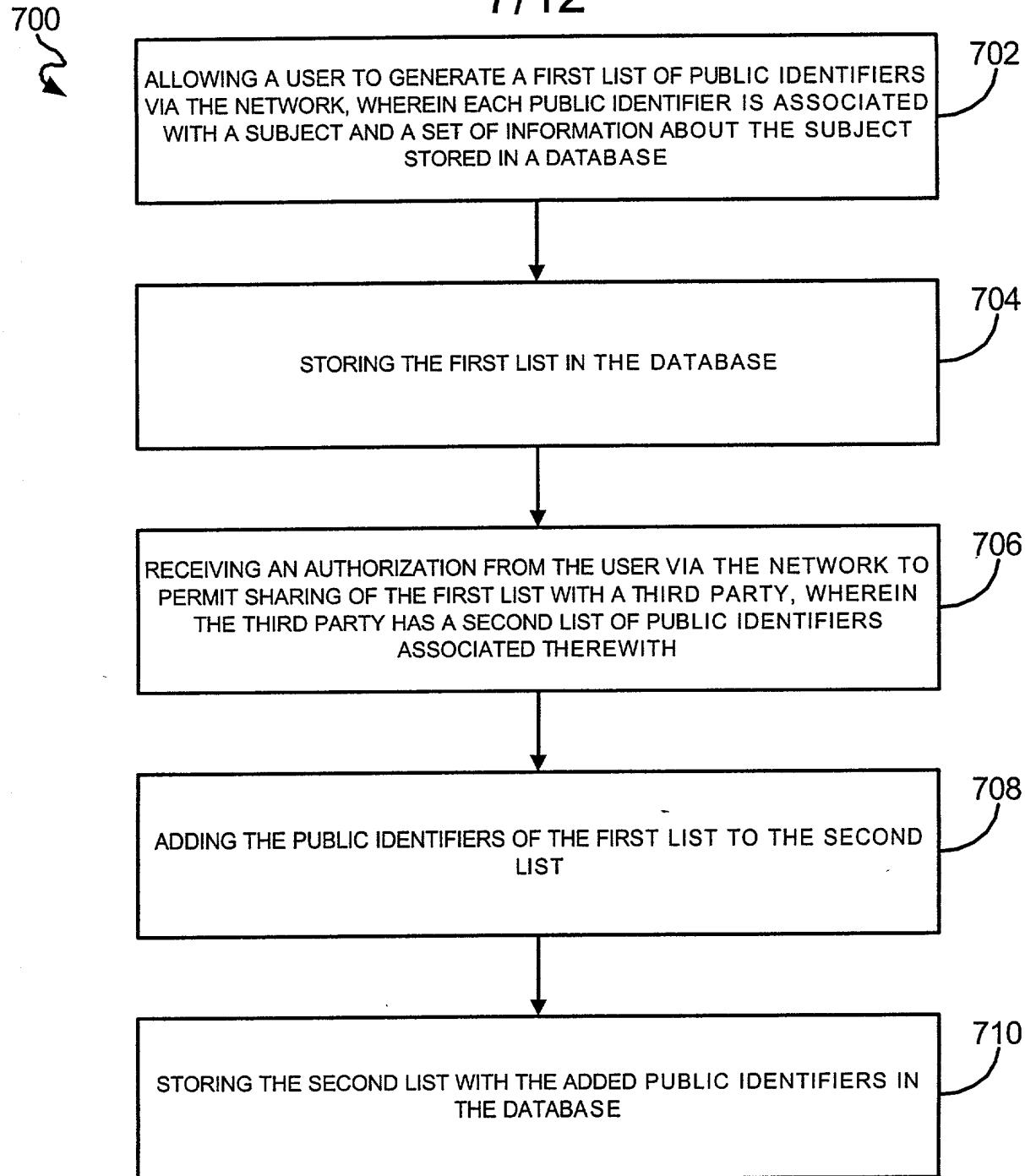
PERMITTING THE USER TO MODIFY THE ACCESSED INFORMATION VIA THE NETWORK

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UPDATING THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUBJECT STORED IN THE DATABASE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MODIFICATIONS MADE BY THE USER

**FIG. 6**

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**FIG. 7**

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MAINTAINING A DATABASE HAVING INFORMATION ABOUT A PLURALITY OF USERS, WHEREIN THE INFORMATION ABOUT EACH USER INCLUDING A PUBLIC IDENTIFIER ASSOCIATED WITH THE PARTICULAR USER

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RECEIVING A REQUEST VIA A NETWORK TO FACILITATE A MEETING, WHEREIN THE REQUEST INCLUDES A MEMO FOR PRESENTATION AT THE MEETING AND AN INVITATION LIST OF PUBLIC IDENTIFIERS OF USERS TO BE INVITED TO THE MEETING

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STORING THE MEMO AND THE LIST OF PUBLIC IDENTIFIERS IN THE DATABASE

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RETRIEVING INFORMATION ABOUT EACH USER TO BE INVITED TO THE MEETING FROM THE DATABASE UTILIZING THE PUBLIC IDENTIFIERS OF THE INVITATION LIST, WHEREIN THE RETRIEVED INFORMATION ABOUT EACH USER INCLUDES INFORMATION ABOUT A NETWORK ADDRESS FOR CONTACTING THE USER

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GENERATING A MEETING IDENTIFIER IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUEST, THE MEETING IDENTIFIER INCLUDING A LINK TO THE MEMO STORED IN THE DATABASE

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TRANSMITTING THE MEETING IDENTIFIER VIA THE NETWORK TO THE NETWORK ADDRESSES OF THE USERS INVITED TO THE MEETING

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RECEIVING THE MEETING IDENTIFIER FROM AT LEAST ONE OF THE USERS INVITED TO THE MEETING VIA THE NETWORK

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PERMITTING THE USERS FROM WHICH THE MEETING IDENTIFIER HAS BEEN RECEIVED TO ACCESS THE MEMO IN THE DATABASE VIA THE NETWORK

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**FIG. 8**

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ASSOCIATING A UNIQUE SECURITY IDENTIFIER WITH A USER

STORING THE SECURITY IDENTIFIER IN A DATABASE, WHEREIN THE DATABASE FURTHER INCLUDES INFORMATION ABOUT THE USER THAT IDENTIFIES THE USER AND AN ACCOUNT BALANCE ASSOCIATED WITH THE USER

RECEIVING THE SECURITY IDENTIFIER OF THE USER FROM A THIRD PARTY VIA THE NETWORK, WHEREIN THE THIRD PARTY OBTAINED THE SECURITY IDENTIFIER FROM A CUSTOMER INVOLVED IN A COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION WITH THE THIRD PARTY

TRANSMITTING THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE USER FROM THE DATABASE TO THE THIRD PARTY VIA THE NETWORK TO PERMIT THE THIRD PARTY COMPARE THE RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT THE USER WITH INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE CUSTOMER

RECEIVING AN INDICATION VIA THE NETWORK FROM THE THIRD PARTY THAT INDICATES WHETHER INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE CUSTOMER MATCHES THE RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT THE USER

PERMITTING THE THIRD PARTY TO ADJUST THE BALANCE OF THE ACCOUNT OF THE USER VIA THE NETWORK AS PART OF COMPLETION OF THE COMMERCIAL TRANSACTION IF THE RECEIVED INDICATION INDICATES THAT THE INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THE CUSTOMER MATCHES THE RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT THE USER

FIG. 9

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CREATING AN INTERMEDIARY EMAIL ADDRESS FOR A USER, WHEREIN AN EMAIL MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO THE INTERMEDIARY EMAIL ADDRESS MAY BE TRANSMITTED VIA A NETWORK TO THE INTERMEDIARY EMAIL ADDRESS

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RECEIVING VIA THE NETWORK INFORMATION ABOUT ONE OR MORE AUTHORIZED PARTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE USER, WHEREIN THE INFORMATION ABOUT ONE OR MORE AUTHORIZED PARTIES INCLUDES AN EMAIL ADDRESS ASSOCIATED WITH EACH THE ONE OR MORE AUTHORIZED PARTIES

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STORING THE INFORMATION RELATING TO THE INTERMEDIARY EMAIL ADDRESS AND THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE ONE OR MORE THIRD PARTIES IN A DATABASE, WHEREIN THE DATABASE CONTAINS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE USER INCLUDING A FORWARDING EMAIL ADDRESS OF THE USER

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RECEIVING AN EMAIL ADDRESSED TO THE INTERMEDIARY EMAIL ADDRESS OF THE USER VIA THE NETWORK, THE RECEIVED EMAIL HAVING A SENDER EMAIL ADDRESS WHICH IDENTIFIES THE EMAIL ADDRESS OF THE SENDER

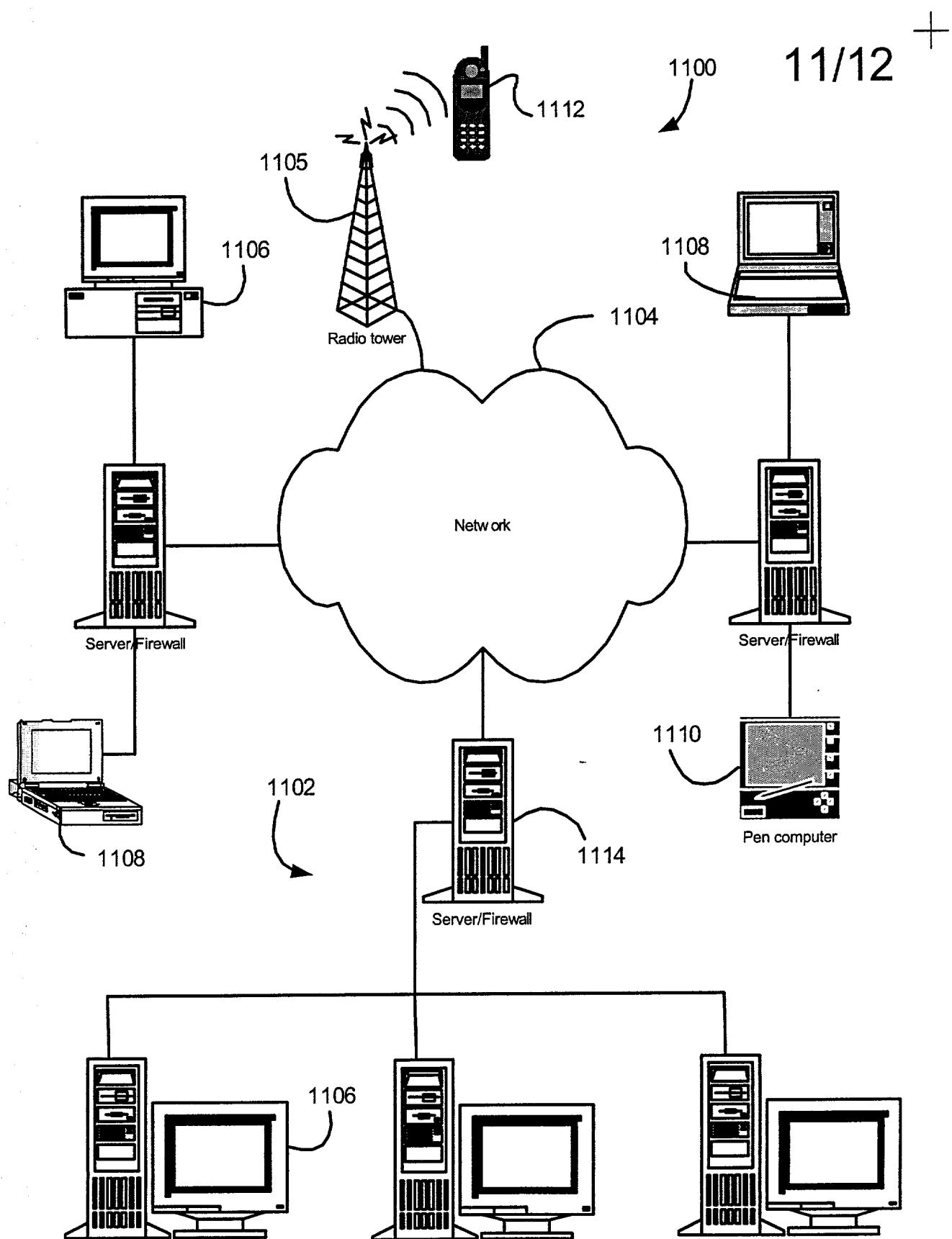
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COMPARING THE SENDER EMAIL ADDRESS WITH EMAIL ADDRESSES OF THE AUTHORIZED PARTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE USER STORED IN THE DATABASE

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FORWARDING THE RECEIVED EMAIL VIA THE NETWORK TO THE FORWARDING EMAIL ADDRESS OF THE USER IF THE SENDER EMAIL ADDRESS IS DETERMINED TO MATCH ONE OF THE EMAIL ADDRESSES OF THE AUTHORIZED PARTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE USER STORED IN THE DATABASE

FIG. 10



**FIG. 11**

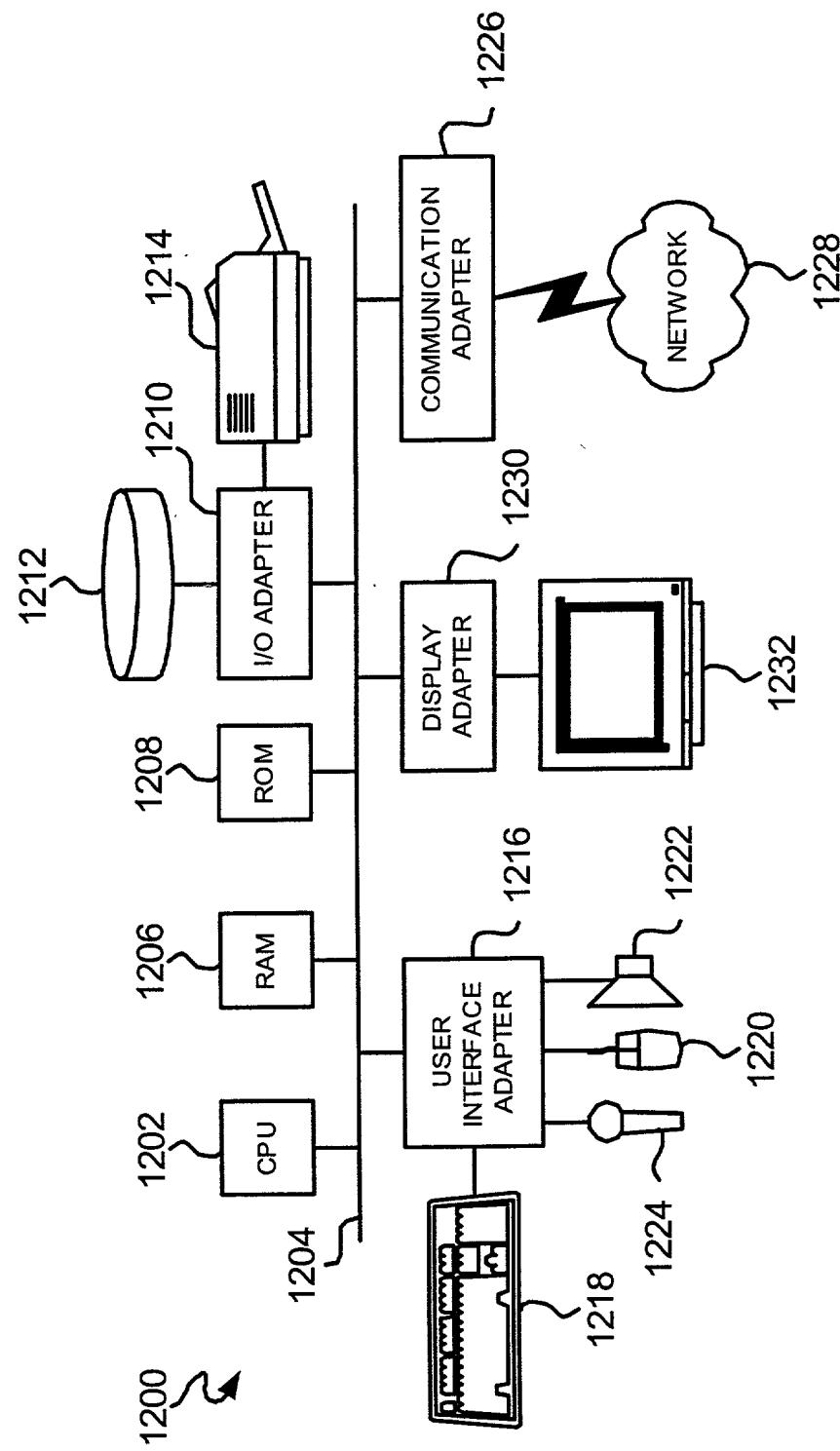


FIG. 12